

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application, in light of the following discussion, is respectfully requested. Claims 14-18 and 22-26 are pending in the present application. Claims 19-21 are canceled by way of the present response. Applicant submits that upon entry of the present Reply, claims 14-18 and 22-26 are in condition for allowance. Moreover, the Applicants submit that no new matter has been introduced by the foregoing amendments.

Amendment to the Specification

In light of canceled claims 19-21, as discussed below, Applicants respectfully request amending the title of the invention from “VIDEOPHONE SYSTEM, SELF-SUPPORT BASE STATION DEVICE, SET TOP BOX, AND VIDEOPHONE METHOD” to -- VIDEOPHONE SYSTEM AND VIDEOPHONE METHOD--.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. §102

In the outstanding Action, claims 19-20 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as anticipated by U. S. Patent Publication No2004/0150713 to Cheng. Applicants have canceled claims 19-20 without prejudice or disclaimer and therefore render this rejection moot.

Furthermore, Claim 21 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by JP 2001-189808 to Nakagawa et al.. Applicants have canceled claim 21 without prejudice or disclaimer and therefore renders this rejection moot.

Allowed Claims

Applicants respectfully acknowledge that claims 14-18 and 22-26 are allowed.

CONCLUSION

Consequently, in view of the present amendment and in light of the above discussion, the outstanding grounds of rejection are believed to have been overcome. The application, as amended, is believed to be in condition of allowance. An early and favorable action to that effect is respectfully requested.

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